

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF

Art Unit: 1614

PRESCOTT ET AL.

Examiner: Weddington, Kevin E

APPLICATION NO: 10/501,210

FILED: JULY 9, 2004

FOR: DRUG DELIVERY SYSTEMS FOR THE PREVENTION AND
TREATMENT OF VASCULAR DISEASES COMPRISING
RAPAMYCIN AND DERIVATIVES THEREOF

Commissioner for Patents
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Sir:

The Office Action of July 18, 2007 has a shortened statutory time set to expire on August 18, 2007. A five-month extension is hereby requested pursuant to 37 CFR §1.136(a).

Please charge Deposit Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis in the amount of \$2230 for payment of the extension fee. An additional copy of this paper is here enclosed. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees under 37 CFR §1.17 which may be required, or credit any overpayment, to Account No. 19-0134 in the name of Novartis.

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Respectfully submitted,



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